## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE MBHB Case No. 05-171

in the app	PLICATION OF:	)		
Thomas Farrell et al.		)		
Serial No.	10/526,286	)	Examiner:	Niu, Xinning
Filing Date:	January 6, 2006	)	Group Art Unit:	2828
Title	Method and System for Detection of Regions of Instability in Multi-Section Tunable Lasers	)	Confirmation No.:	6270

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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MARCH 17, 2009

Dear Sir:

Applicants respond to the non-final Office Action mailed on March, 17, 2009 as follows, with Remarks beginning on page 2.

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